

Atomic Physics:

- 1897 → J.J. Thomson
discovers that electrons
are negatively charged
- 1900s → Robert Millikan
"oil drop experiment"
determined the charge of an e^-
- Blackbody Radiation
 - Curve fit by Max Planck

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & = & h f \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \rightarrow \text{frequency} \\ \text{energy} & & \text{constant} = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \\ & & = 4.14 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eV} \cdot \text{s} \end{array}$$

- Energy had to exist in whole numbers
which are called "quanta."
- Quanta of light are called
photons.

- 1905 \rightarrow Einstein

Things about photons:

- $v = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$ in vacuum
- all have same speed in vacuum
- NO mass
- Yes momentum

$$p = \frac{h}{\lambda}$$

- More equations:

$$E = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = pc$$

$$\text{Power} = nhf \quad n = \text{photons/sec}$$

Atomic Notes and Problem 2.23.12 AP Physics

A 3 mW pen laser radiates at 633 nm. Find values for the following:

- a) Frequency of light emitted
- b) Energy of a single photon in joules
- c) Energy of a photon in electron-volts
- d) Momentum of a single photon
- e) Number of photons emitted in a quarter-second burst of laser light
- f) Length of the beam for quarter-second burst of laser light

$$a) \quad c = f \lambda$$

$$f = 4.74 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

$$b) \quad E = hf \quad h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}$$

$$= 3.14 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$c) \quad E = hf \quad h = 4.14 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eV} \cdot \text{s}$$

$$= 1.96 \text{ eV}$$

$$d) \quad p = \frac{h}{\lambda}$$

$$= 1.05 \times 10^{-27} \text{ N} \cdot \text{s}$$

$$e) \quad P = n hf$$

$$n = 9.55 \times 10^{15} \text{ photons/sec}$$

$$Total = n (.25 \text{ s})$$

$$= 2.39 \times 10^{15} \text{ photons}$$

$$f) \quad c = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}}$$

$$\text{distance} = 75 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$$